

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Upon entry of the present amendment, the status of the claims will be as shown below. This listing of claims replaces all previous versions and listings of the claims in the present application.

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A memory card in which data can be written to and read from by a host data processor, comprising:

a host interface that transmits and receives a command and data to and from the

host data processor;

a nonvolatile memory that stores data;

a controller that controls ~~[[the]]~~ an operation of the memory card; and

a storage ~~section~~ that stores specified management information,

wherein the management information includes retry setting information

transferred from the host data processor through the host interface and characteristic information specific to the memory card, the retry setting information which specifies whether a retry function is executed or not when an error occurs during an operation of writing data to the nonvolatile memory, and

the controller refers to the retry setting information in the data writing operation, and controls the data writing operation so as to disable the retry function in the event of an error in the data writing operation, when the retry setting information indicates disabling of the retry function ~~or~~ and to enable the retry function in the event of an error in the data writing operation, when the retry setting information indicates enabling of the retry function.

2. (Currently Amended) The memory card according to claim 1, wherein ~~the management information includes characteristic information specific to the memory card, and~~ the controller transmits the characteristic information to the host data processor according to the request from the host data processor.

3. (Currently Amended) The memory card according to claim 2, wherein the characteristic information includes information regarding a maximum required time for data writing data to the memory card.

4. (Currently Amended) The memory card according to claim 2, wherein the characteristic information includes information regarding a frequency of the retry function ~~process~~ occurring in the memory card.

5. (Currently Amended) A host data processor accessing a memory card in which data can be written to and read from, the memory card storing management information including retry setting information transferred from the host data processor and characteristic information specific to the memory card, the retry setting information specifying whether a retry function is to be executed or not when an error occurs during a data writing operation, the host data processor comprising:

a card interface that transmits and receives a command and data to and from the memory card; and

a controller that controls the operation of the host data processor,

wherein the controller reads the characteristic information from the memory card

when the memory card is inserted in the host data processor or when the host data processor is turned on, judges whether a retry function in the memory card is to be executed or not based on the read characteristic information, and transmits a command for setting the retry setting information to the memory card through the card interface according to the judging result.

6. (Currently Amended) A control method of a memory card in which data can be written to and read from, the memory card storing management information including retry setting information transferred from a host data processor and characteristic information specific to the memory card, the retry setting information specifying whether a retry function is to be executed or not when an error occurs during a data writing operation, the control method comprising:

referring to the retry setting information in the data writing operation; and

disabling the retry function not to operate in the event of an error in the data writing operation, when the retry setting information indicates disabling of the retry function, ~~or~~
and

enabling the retry function in the event of an error in the data writing operation, when the retry setting information indicates enabling of the retry function.

7. (Currently Amended) A setting method of a memory card in which data can be written to and read from, the memory card storing management information including retry setting information transferred from a host data processor and characteristic information specific to the memory card, the retry setting information specifying whether a retry function is to be executed or not when an error occurs during a data writing operation, the setting method

comprising:

reading the characteristic information from the memory card;

judging whether a retry process in the memory card is to be executed or not based on the read characteristic information; and

transmitting a command for setting the retry setting information to the memory card through the card interface according to the judging result.